

REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 19. Support for this amendment can be found at page 1, lines 11-13 and throughout the specification. Claims 4, 9, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 38, and 40-45 have been amended to correct spelling and/or typographical errors. No new matter is added by way of this amendment.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner rejected claims 1-5, 9-10, 14, 16-18, 27, 32-33, 37 and 40 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Rerek Edward (EP 0 237 111). Applicants have amended claim 1, from which the remaining rejected claims depend, to incorporate the limitations of claim 19. The Examiner indicated that the subject matter of claim 19 is allowable. Accordingly, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Applicants' attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge

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